CRIMINAL JUSTICE REALIGNMENT

FELONY SENTENCES



PROBATION

Probation allows individuals to remain in the community under county probation supervision for all or a portion of their sentence. They may serve up to one year in jail as a condition of their supervision.

STRAIGHT

Straight sentences are for non-serious, non-violent, and non-sexual 1170(h) offenses. With a straight sentence, individuals will serve their full term in county jail and then be released without supervision.



PRISON

With a prison sentence, individuals will be incarcerated and serve their sentence in state prison. They will then be released on Parole or PRCS.



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SPLIT

Split sentences are for non-serious, nonviolent, and non-sexual 1170(h) offenses. With a split sentence, individuals typically "split" their term between county jail and community supervision.

FELONY SUPERVISION

PROBATION

Probation is both a sentence and a supervision type. Individuals remain in the community under county probation supervision.



PRCS

Individuals released from prison for nonserious, non-violent, and non-sexual offenses are supervised by county probation under Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS).



MS

Mandatory Supervision (MS) is the community supervision portion of a split sentence under 1170(h). Generally, individuals serve time in jail before being released to MS, although occasionally individuals may serve their entire split sentence under MS.

PAROLE

Individuals not eligible for release to PRCS when exiting state prison are supervised by state parole.





